



DDBC Director Retires

Mr. Dallas Harris Says Good-bye After Nearly 40 Years of Service

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Dallas Harris

On January 6, 2004, Defense Distribution Depot Barstow, California (DDBC) bid a fond farewell to its Director, Dallas Harris who retired after having served his country for nearly 40 years. Phyllis C. Campbell, Senior Executive Service, Deputy Commander, Defense Distribution Center (DDC), presided over the ceremony.

In her opening remarks, Campbell welcomed the Harris family, Dallas' spouse Diane, and daughters Linda and Stacey, who were in attendance, as well as, the many friends and co-workers at DDBC. Campbell, after providing a brief history of Dallas' career, highlighted his many accomplishments, and went on to state, "The words Dallas and leader are synonymous. Through his leadership, DDBC was able to flawlessly transition to a contractor operation. This transition was the first of its kind within the Defense Distribution Center and has served as the model for subsequent transitions. The DDBC Continuing Government Authority (CGA), working with their contractor partners, have been able to meet and exceed Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) performance goals and focus on what is important . . . Supplying our Warfighter. Through Dallas' excellent leadership skills and extraordinary knowledge of distribution functions, this partnership has flourished as DDBC has become instrumental in supporting the war on terrorism. Dallas, you've set the standard here at DDBC for those who will follow you."

During the ceremony, Harris was presented the DLA Distinguished Career Service Award for his many years of dedicated service. Making it official, a final memento was presented to him...his retirement plaque.

Harris was a member of the United States Marine Corps. He received several medals and decorations during his military



Phyllis C. Campbell, SES, DDC's Deputy Commander presents Dallas Harris his retirement certificate.

service; the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device; the Vietnam Service Medal with two Devices; the National Defense Service Medal; the Good Conduct Medal and the Rifle Experts Badge. Dallas began his civilian career, in 1968, as a warehouseman for the Department of the Navy, Marine Corps Supply Center in Barstow, California. He had a brief break in service before returning in 1982 where he served in various first level foreman positions until being promoted to a general foreman position. In 1991, after DMRD 902, Harris became a part of DLA. In 1999, he was promoted to the position of Distribution Facilities Manager, and in 2001, he became the Director of Defense Distribution Depot Barstow, California, the position from which he retires.

Dallas—Congratulations and Best Wishes in Your Retirement!

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